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ADVERTISEMENT AREA NEXT TO A VALUE-BEARING ITEM

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A response to office action for the above-identified application; Copies of IDSs filed 10/31/2003, 09/27/2004, and 10/07/2004; Information Disclosure Statement with Fee; Form PTO/SB/08A/B; (2) References; and Check for \$180

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by or to give effect to this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. A copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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